GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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BEATING HEART SURGERY
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether with new technology of `beating heart surgery` now available the cost of surgery can be considerably reduced;

(b) if so, whether Government proposes the introduction of the new technology in Government hospitals so that the benefit of the cost reduction goes to the patients; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a): Yes, Sir. As compared to conventional surgery, beating heart surgery cost nearly 25% less.

(b)&(c): At present there is no such proposal.